

Wisconsin Home for Veterans  
414 North Drive (Cottage)  
King  
Waupaca County  
Wisconsin

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Location: 414 North Drive, King, Waupaca County, Wisconsin.

Significance: The cottage at 414 North Drive is significant because it architecturally and historically contributes to the Veterans Cottages Historic District, a historic district that is part of the Historic Resources of the Wisconsin Veterans Home, listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1985. For a more detailed discussion of the significance of the resources discussed in this report, see page 1 of the overview history narrative.

Description: This cottage is a one-story front gable form that was built as a simpler version of the cottage design by William Waters (see page 9-10 of the narrative overview for additional information). The gable roof has green asphalt shingles. There is a concrete block foundation and an enclosed front porch. The building measures 24 feet, 4 inches on the front and back walls and 30 feet, 3 inches on the side walls. There is a small enclosure covering the rear entrance that measures 8 feet, 1 inch wide and 4 feet, 1 inch long. The cottage is covered with clapboard siding. Windows are single-light double-hung sashes. There is a small, single-pane window in the gable peaks at the front and rear of the building. (See photographs WI-323-0-1 and WI-323-0-2)

A wood and glass entry door leads to the interior of the cottage. The front of the interior is divided into a living room and a bedroom. Behind the living room is the kitchen and behind the bedroom is a bathroom and a small porch enclosure. The living room is carpeted, the bedroom has maple flooring, and the kitchen floor is covered with linoleum. The kitchen cabinets have plain painted wood doors and drawer fronts and simple metal hardware. The wall and ceiling finishes are plaster. The wood paneled interior doors have simple brass doorknobs, plates, and hinges; and there are some modern doors. The trim around the doors and windows consists of wide wood moldings that are painted. There are steam radiators bringing the heat from the central heating plant. There are standard overhead lighting fixtures in the rooms, and standard plumbing fixtures in the bathrooms. This cottage is currently occupied by a married couple.

History: This cottage was built around 1900 based on the cottage design by William Waters, and was moved to this location some time after World War II. For additional information about the history and architecture of this and all cottages and staff residences at the Wisconsin Home for Veterans Complex, see pages 3-12 of the overview history and architecture narrative.

Sources: Sources for the information in this individual structure narrative are the same as those listed in the overview narrative on page 16.

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